

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the Claims as follows:

1 (Original). An alignment device for being used with prosthetic components, said alignment device having an alignment device longitudinal axis and comprising:

5 A. a first member comprising:

 i. a first member first end connectable to a first prosthetic component; and

 ii. a first member second end having a channel therethrough with a channel longitudinal axis; and

10 B. a second member comprising:

 i. a second member first end connectable to a second prosthetic component; and

 ii. a second member second end comprising a bar with a bar longitudinal axis for being received within and secured to said channel of said first

15 member, and for being selectively offset from said first member in a direction generally parallel to said channel longitudinal axis, and

 wherein one of said first member first end and said second member first end is threadably connectable to one of the first prosthetic component and the second prosthetic component, respectively, to allow said alignment device to be rotatably connected to said

20 one of the first prosthetic component and the second prosthetic component such that the orientation of said channel longitudinal axis is selectively adjustable to any orientation lying in a plane that is generally perpendicular to said alignment device longitudinal axis.

2 (Original). The alignment device of Claim 1 wherein said first member first end comprises a threaded external surface.

3 (Original). The alignment device of Claim 1 wherein said first member first end comprises an internally threaded clamp.

5 4 (Original). The alignment device of Claim 1 wherein said second member first end comprises a pyramid.

5 (Original). The alignment device of Claim 1 wherein said second member first end comprises a pyramidal receiver.

6 (Original). The alignment device of Claim 1 wherein said one of said first member
10 first end and said second member first end that is threadably connectable to said one of
the first prosthetic component and the second prosthetic component, respectively, can be
further rotated a selected number of one half revolutions with respect to said one of the
first prosthetic component and the second prosthetic component to maintain said selected
orientation of said channel longitudinal axis and to selectively adjust the distance between
15 the first prosthetic component connectable to said first member first end and the second
prosthetic component connectable to said second member first end.

7 (Original). The alignment device of Claim 1 wherein:

A. said first member second end has a hole therethrough into said channel
and that is generally perpendicular to said channel longitudinal axis; and

20 B. said alignment device further comprises a screw for being received
through said hole and for contacting said bar for securing said bar in place within said
channel.

8 (Original). An alignment device for being used with prosthetic components, said alignment device having an alignment device longitudinal axis and comprising:

A. a first member comprising:

i. a first member first end connectable to a first prosthetic

5 component; and

ii. a first member second end having a channel therethrough, said channel defining an alignment axis and having two side walls with at least one hole through at least one of said two side walls; and

B. a second member comprising:

i. a second member first end connectable to a second prosthetic

10 component; and

ii. a second member second end comprising a bar for being received within and secured to said channel of said first member,

wherein said first member is selectively offsettable from said second member by

15 moving said bar within said channel along said alignment axis, and

wherein at least one screw is insertable through said at least one hole through said at least one of said two side walls to engage said bar and frictionally hold said bar in a selected position with respect to said channel.

9 (Original). The alignment device of Claim 8 wherein:

20 A. said first member is rotatably connected to a first prosthetic component;

and

B. said alignment axis lies in a plane generally perpendicular to said alignment device longitudinal axis and is adjustable to any selected orientation in said

plane by selectively rotating said first member with respect to the first prosthetic component that is connectable to said first member first end.

10 (Original). The alignment device of Claim 9 wherein said first member first end is externally threaded and the first prosthetic component is internally threaded.

5 11 (Original). The alignment device of Claim 8 wherein said at least one hole through at least one of said two side walls comprises at least one hole through both of said two side walls.

12 - 27 (Currently cancelled).

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